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TO AMCONSUL PORT MORESBY

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E.O. 11652:N/A.

TAGS: ETEL

SUBJECT: SEACOM TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

REF: PORT MORESBY 347

1. SEACOM TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IS A COMMERCIAL SUB-MARINE CABLE EXISTING BETWEEN AUSTRALIA (CAIRNS)-MADANG-GUAM-HONG KONG-JESSELTON-SINGAPORE, WHICH WAS COMMISSIONED IN 1967. CAPACITY OF THE CABLE BETWEEN CAIRNS AND GUAM IS 160 VOICE CHANNELS; GUAM BEYOND IT IS 80 VOICE CHANNELS. AT GUAM SEACOM CONNECTS WITH THE TRANS-PACIFIC SUBMARINE CABLE SYSTEM, ANOTHER COMMERCIAL SYSTEM.

2. THERE IS NO DIRECT U.S. GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT ON OPERATION IN SEACOM, OTHER THAN PARTICIPATION IN THE USE OF THESE FACILITIES BY U.S. LICENSED INTERNATIONAL RECORD AND VOICE CARRIERS, SUCH AS RCA GLOBAL, ITT WORLD COMMUNICATION S, WUI AND AT&T, ALL HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK CITY.

3. VIEW FOREGOING, ARRANGEMENTS REQUESTED REFTEL NOT POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE. SUGGEST NBC OFFICIALS CONTACT ONE OF UNCLASSIFIED

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THE ABOVE MENTIONED U.S. CARRIERS AND ARRANGE FOR SERVICE,

SPECIFYING WHETHER VOICE OR TELEGRAPHIC FACILITIES ARE NEEDED.

4. DEPARTMENT WILL ALERT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CARRIERS OF NBC REQUEST TO INSURE THEY ARE PREPARED TO ASSIST, IF ASKED TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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